

**CARLSBAD SISTER CITY PROGRAM PRESENTS**  
**PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION BY YOUTH OF TWO CITIES**

The Carlsbad Sister City program will display more than 60 photographs showing life through the eyes of European and American teens in two exhibitions held in May and June in Carlsbad. "A Day in the Life of Carlsbad and Karlovy Vary" is the result of competitions in which teens in Carlsbad and sister city Karlovy Vary, Czech Republic submitted photos based on "A Day in the Life of" their hometowns. Award winning photographs will be exhibited at the Cole Library, 1250 Carlsbad Village Drive from May 19 through May 30. All submitted photographs will be on exhibition at the Carlsbad Oceanside Art League (COAL) Gallery in the Village Faire, 300 Carlsbad Village Drive, Suite 101, from June 4 through July 6. "A Day in the Life of Carlsbad and Karlovy Vary" was exhibited in Karlovy Vary during the Celebration of the city's 650<sup>th</sup> anniversary in April and May.

The Carlsbad photographers will be honored at a reception at COAL Gallery on Sunday, June 8 from 4 to 6 pm, with cash prizes for winners contributed in memory of Dr. Paul Bartl, a founding member of the Sister City Committee's relationship with Karlovy Vary. Attending as Guest of Honor will be the first prize winner from Karlovy Vary, Martina Houdkova. The reception is open to the public.

Carlsbad's contest was led by the Sister City Committee with help from Outside the Lens, The Front Porch Gallery and Kassebaum Photography. Participants had to be residents of Carlsbad of high school age. Entries were received from Carlsbad Seaside Academy, Army and Navy Academy, La Costa Canyon High School and Carlsbad High School. Todd Cullum's "Flowers to Sea" took First Place, with "Daring" by Arielle Vey awarded Second Place, Andrew Crockett's "Hazy Sunset" receiving Third Place and Honorable Mentions going to Jessica Caruthers, Juliana Collins and Arielle Vey.

COAL President Howard Bagley invited the Sister City Committee to partner with the visual arts organization to exhibit the photographs, saying "COAL supports young artists through special exhibitions and scholarships. This show provides us with a great opportunity to expand our services for artists of every age and medium and to collaborate with another terrific cultural organization in our community."

Cole Library's hours of operation are Monday through Thursday 9am-9pm; Friday and Saturday 9am-5pm; Sunday 11am-5pm. COAL Gallery hours are Tuesday through Saturday 10am-4pm; Sunday 11am-5pm. For information on Sister City programs, visit [www.carlsbadca.gov/arts](http://www.carlsbadca.gov/arts) or [www.carlsbadglobalpartners.blogspot.com](http://www.carlsbadglobalpartners.blogspot.com) or call the Arts Info Line: (760) 434-2904. To find out more about COAL's visual arts programs, visit [www.coalartgallery.com](http://www.coalartgallery.com) or call (760) 434-8497 during Gallery hours.